FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Roy to Engrossed House Bill No. 481 by Representative Roy

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 33:1423.1(B) and (C)," to "R.S. 33:1423.1(B), (C), and (D),"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 4 On page 1, line 5, after "payment" and before "services" delete "of" and insert "for
- 5 collection"
- 6 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 7 On page 1, line 6, after "amount" and before "and to" delete "of the fee;" and insert the
- 8 following:
- 9 "and payment of the fee; to provide relative to requirements for employing certain parties to aid in the collection of certain delinquent taxes and obligations;"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 12 On page 1, line 8, change "R.S. 33:1423.1(B) and (C)" to "R.S. 33:1423.1(B), (C), and (D)"
- 13 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 5</u>
- On page 1, line 16, after "private" and before "or" delete "counsel" and insert "attorney"
- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 6

18 19

20

21

2223

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32 33

34

- On page 2, at the end of line 2, insert a period "." and delete lines 3 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:
 - "The contract shall include the method of compensation to be paid, which shall be either by an hourly rate for services or a specific fee. The hourly rate shall not exceed the attorney general's fee schedule. If the method of compensation is a fee, it shall not exceed ten percent of the amount collected, which percentage shall be calculated on the total amount collected inclusive of any monies due as a result of a fine, bond, tax, license fee, or any other payment to be collected. The compensation due to the private attorney or agency shall be payable by the taxpayer to the tax recipient body. The sheriff or ex officio tax collector or director of finance for the city of New Orleans shall obtain approval of the hourly rate or fee to be paid the private attorney or agency by the tax recipient bodies, which are owed in the aggregate, at least seventy-five percent of the revenues to be collected prior to contracting with the attorney or agency. The sheriff or ex officio tax collector or chief administrative officer shall give advance notice to the tax recipient bodies prior to employing counsel an attorney or agency and shall provide an estimate of anticipated expenses. The affected tax recipient bodies shall each contribute its pro rata or equitable share of the fees and expenses of the attorney or agency. The sheriff or ex officio tax collector or director of finance for the city of New Orleans

shall furnish an itemized expense voucher to all affected tax recipient bodies, which shall be due and payable upon receipt by the tax recipient body.

D. If as a result of any judgment or settlement, monies attributable to attorney or agency fees and expenses are paid to the sheriff or ex officio tax collector or director of finance for the city of New Orleans in an amount in excess of the amount owed to the attorney or agency under contract, the sheriff or ex officio tax collector or director of finance for the city of New Orleans shall rebate such excess to the affected tax recipient bodies based upon their pro rata payments for the cost of the attorney or agency."

2